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Attorney General John Ashcroft
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

The Department of Justice and Microsoft have finally reached a settlement to the three-year antitrust dispute, and I am writing to champion that settlement and ask that it be approved as soon as possible. I am in favor of any agreement that will end litigation against Microsoft and that will help America.

Microsoft has agreed not to enter into any contractual obligations with third-party companies that mandate that they strictly use or promote Microsoft products. They have also agreed not to retaliate against computer companies that make or promote software that competes with Windows. Believe it or not, they will share source code and other data that is critical to the design and implementation of Windows. This allows the competition to make products that are compatible with Windows. This will improve the IT industry and the economy.

I fully support this settlement, and hope it is approved with haste. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Eddie Schwartz